[Urging the Mayor, the California Department of Education and the United States Department of Agriculture to allocate funding to allow the Commodity Supplemental Food Program to remain in San Francisco]

Resolution urging the Mayor, the California Department of Education and the United States Department of Agriculture to allocate funding to allow the Commodity Supplemental Food Program to remain in San Francisco.

WHEREAS, 12,000 of San Francisco's needy mothers with children and senior citizens face losing a critical, major source of food each month; and

WHEREAS, 4 million pounds of food every year (worth up to \$8 million) will leave San Francisco without such allocation of funds; and,

WHEREAS, The Commodity Supplemental Food Program works to improve the health of low-income pregnant and breastfeeding women, other new mothers up to one year postpartum, infants, children up to age six, and elderly people at least 60 years of age by supplementing their diets with nutritious United States Department of Agriculture commodity foods; and,

WHEREAS, This program has operated in San Francisco since the 1970's and there is not another program available that can replace the assistance provided to the most vulnerable residents; and,

WHEREAS, 20,937 seniors and 9,444 children in San Francisco are income and age eligible for participation in this program; and,

WHEREAS, Hunger impairs a child's ability to learn, grow and stay healthy; and, among the elderly, hunger exacerbates chronic and acute health problems and speeds the onset of degenerative diseases; and,

WHEREAS, The program is only partially funded by the federal government and requires support from the City and County of San Francisco and other public agencies; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco supports the Commodity Supplemental Food Program and the San Francisco Food Bank in assuming responsibility for the program's operations; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Mayor, the California

Department of Education and the United States Department of Agriculture to support keeping the Commodity Supplemental Food Program in San Francisco.



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	Ayes: 10 - Alioto-Pier, Ammiano, Daly, Dufty, Gonzalez, Ma, Maxwell, McGoldrick, Peskin, Sandoval Excused: 1 - Hall	
F	File No. 040668	I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on May 25, 2004 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.
	UN 0 4 2004	Gloria L. Young Clerk of the Board

Date Approved

V tayor Gavin Newsom